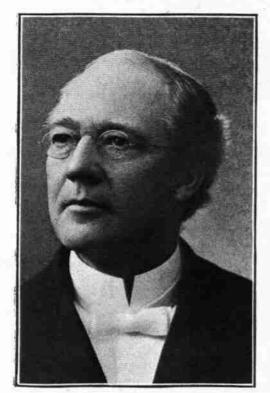
Bible Training at Claflin

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WHAT the negro needs most is Bible training, and, of course, this means moral training. We have put the Bible into all our regular courses of training, and have a professor to teach the Bible the same as we have to teach

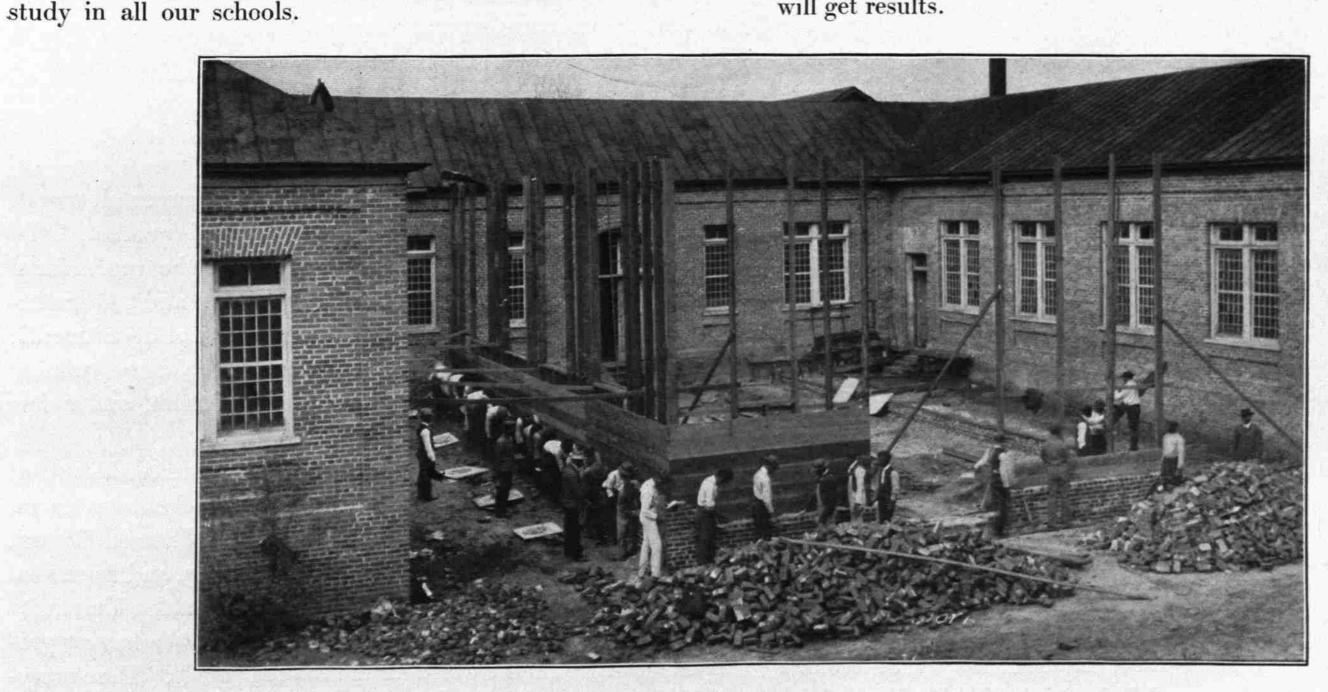


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the other departments in our institution. The students are marked on Bible study the same as on other subjects. They realize the study of the Bible means something—that it is important. This work of Bible training is so exceedingly important that it ought to be done by the school. The presidents of the schools and the various boards of trustees are to be held responsible for this Bible work. It ought to be taught five days in the week, as a required course of I recommend that a resolution be sent from this Conference to the various boards carrying on work in the South among the colored people that they require their presidents and teachers to introduce the Bible as a regular course of study, and then I believe we are going to get at the work right, and we are going to accomplish something, and I don't believe we are unless we get at it in this earnest way.

"We Cannot Afford to Cut Out the Bible"

My teachers often say that the students have more work than they can properly do now. Why put on a Bible course of study? There are many things in our regular course of study that we can eliminate to provide for this Bible study. Take descriptive geography, for instance, — what is it worth? Not very much. They can get about all the information they need in connection with other studies, and get in it a more practical way that will do them some good. We can cut out a good many subjects, but we cannot afford to cut out the Bible. We ought to have a regular instructor for the Bible, and if we have not the money to pay him, let us drop some other study and cut down the course enough so that we can take a teacher as a member of our faculty and give him all this work, and in that way we will get results.



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